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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Dan DeVos (Reg. No. 37,813) on 8/8/06.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Claims:

In claim 35, on line 3 as well as on line 5, replace the phrase "certain ones" with the word --those--.

In claim 47, insert the limitation --wherein all network trunks coupled to the single network element are coupled to the set of line cards,-- after the limitation "a set of one or more line cards coupled to one or more network trunks,".

MLB 9/25/dl In claim 47, on line 8, replace the phrase "each of said line cards" with --each of said set of line cards and said plurality of line cards--.

Drawings

1. Replacement drawings were received on 5/22/06. These drawings are acceptable and have been entered.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 13-25 and 28-67 (renumbered 1-53, respectively) are allowed.